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In re Application of:

Richard Le Page, *et al.*

Group Art Unit: 1637

Application No.: 09/769,736

Examiner: S. Chunduru

Filed: January 26, 2001

For: NUCLEIC ACIDS AND PROTEINS  
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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND  
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2003, Applicants submit the election set forth below.

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants respectfully request a two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for responding to the Office Action. Accordingly, the time for response will be extended up to and including August 6, 2003. A check in the amount of \$205.00 is attached to cover the two-month extension of time fee for a small entity.